

**EXHIBIT B**

**Gary S. Smolker E-Mail Correspondence, dated August 20, 26, & 27, 2020, and September 1, 2020**

**Roger Higgins**

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**Sent:** Thursday, August 20, 2020 4:58 PM  
**To:** Roger Higgins  
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September 1, 2020

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- interferes with my medical care,
- does not give me adequate time to prepare,
- is inconsistent with the email correspondence you sent me on August 18, August 20, August 21, August 26, August 28, and August 31, and
- does not specify what is to be discussed.

Please reschedule YOUR unilateral status conference hearing to take place on Wednesday, September 9 or Friday September 11, 2020 instead of on September 2, 2020.

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The dial-in instructions are in the body of the notice.

Please note that you were separately served this notice by e-mail, which you should have already received at this e-mail address.

You are also receiving notice by mail overnight.

As I discussed in my prior e-mails, the purpose of this hearing is to request the Court to set a deadline by which you must respond to Grace's summary judgment motion.

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Judge Chan's chambers have informed me that the Judge is not sitting at all next week. So neither of your proposed dates works.

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September 16, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. EDT / 1:00 P.M. PDT

September 17, 2020 at 2:00 P.M. EDT / 11:00 A.M. PDT

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- is inconsistent with the email correspondence you sent me on August 18, August 20, August 21, August 26, August 28, and August 31, and
- does not specify what is to be discussed.

Please reschedule YOUR unilateral status conference hearing to take place on Wednesday, September 9 or Friday September 11, 2020 instead of on September 2, 2020.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Gary Smolker

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Mr. Smolker,

Please find attached notice of a telephonic status hearing tomorrow, September 2, 2020, at 2:00 pm ET/11:00 am PT.

The dial-in instructions are in the body of the notice.

Please note that you were separately served this notice by e-mail, which you should have already received at this e-mail address.

You are also receiving notice by mail overnight.

As I discussed in my prior e-mails, the purpose of this hearing is to request the Court to set a deadline by which you must respond to Grace's summary judgment motion.

Warmest Regards. R

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